## AMENDED IN SENATE APRIL 16, 2009 AMENDED IN SENATE MARCH 31, 2009

## SENATE BILL

No. 549

## **Introduced by Senator Correa**

February 27, 2009

An act to add Section 7401.5 to the Business and Professions Code, relating to barbering and cosmetology.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 549, as amended, Correa. Barbering and cosmetology: manieurists. cosmetology.

Under existing law, the Barbering and Cosmetology Act, the State Board of Barbering and Cosmetology licenses and regulates persons engaged in the practice of barbering and cosmetology, including manicurists. Existing law requires an applicant for a manicurist license to complete an application, pass an examination, meet other requirements, and pay a specified fee. Existing law also requires an establishment in which nail care barbering and cosmetology is practiced to be licensed by the board.

This bill would-authorize require applicants for a manicurist license issued by the board, applicants for an establishment license, manicurist board licensees, and establishment licensees to report gender, language preference, and ethnicity information, as specified, in initial applications for licensure and at the time of license renewal. The bill would further require the board to compile and make this information available to the public upon request. The bill would declare the intent of the Legislature in this regard.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

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The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. (a) There is growing concern about the workplace health and safety conditions for the nearly 114,000 manieurists working in California.

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SECTION 1. (a) It is the intent of the Legislature to collect information on language preference gender, language preference, and ethnicity of establishment and manicurist licensees practicing nail care. all licensees of the State Board of Barbering and Cosmetology, including establishment licensees.

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- (b) Collecting data on the language preference gender, language preference, and ethnicity of establishment and manicurist licensees and board licensees will help ensure that appropriate health and safety—and health information is effectively provided to affected licensees.
- SEC. 2. Section 7401.5 is added to the Business and Professions Code, to read:
- 7401.5. (a) An applicant for a manicurist license and a manicurist licensee may
- 7401.5. (a) Any applicant for a license issued by the board and a licensee of the board shall report to the board, in his or her initial application for a license and at the time of license renewal, and the board shall collect, information regarding the applicant's and licensee's language preference gender, language preference, and ethnicity.
- (b) An applicant for an establishment license and an establishment licensee may *shall* report to the board, in his or her initial application for a license and at the time of license renewal, and the board shall collect, information regarding the applicant's and licensee's language preference gender, language preference and ethnicity.
- (c) The information collected by the board pursuant to this section shall be compiled and made available to the public upon request.